

Alaska Local and Regional Information

Workforce Info

Bear Creek

Bear Creek is an unincorporated CDP on the east coast of the Kenai Peninsula, northeast of Seward. Bear Creek is part of the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

- ◆ The estimated population for 2008 was 1,984, a gain of about 236 since the 2000 Census.
- ◆ About 68 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ◆ Trade, Transportation and Utilities was the main industry in 2008, employing 23 percent of the area's workers.
- ◆ More workers were employed as Cashiers than any other occupation.

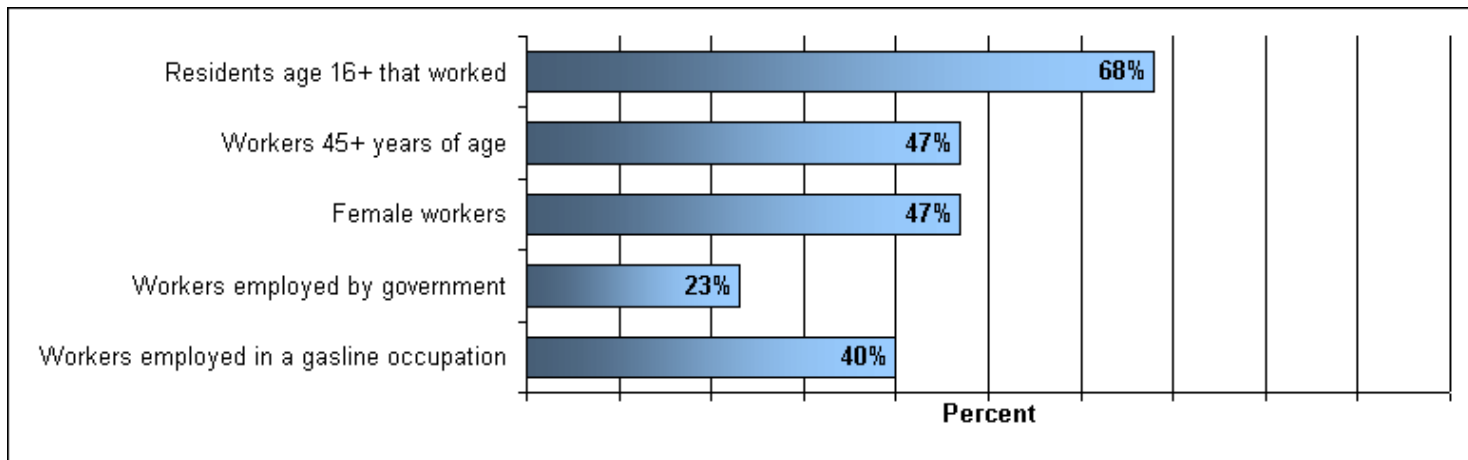
Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

Bear Creek Resident Snapshot (2008)

Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	1,443	Total wages	\$31,109,845
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	984	Private	755
Male	516	State government	119
Female	465	Local government	110
Age 45+	462	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	317	Peak (2nd) quarter workers	914
		Percent working all 4 quarters	64.5%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)	
UI Claimants	210	Some construction	179
		At least 1 year construction	100
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	56
New hires	375	Worked in an AGIA occupation	733

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2008 Residents

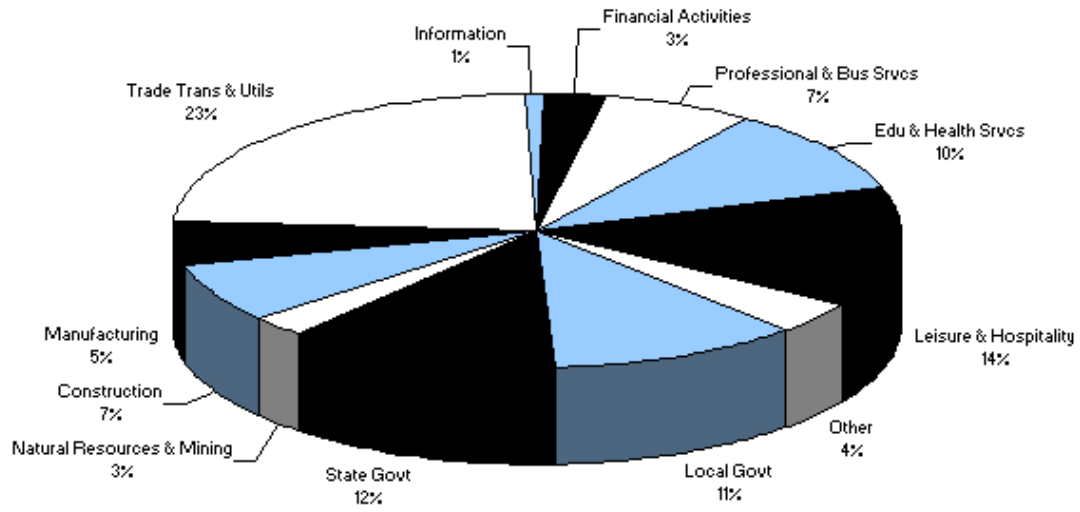


Top Occupations

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Cashiers	33	78.8%	12	7
Correctional Officers and Jailers HOT JOB	32	37.5%	19	12
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General AGIA	28	0.0%	20	14
Teachers and Instructors, All Other	27	74.1%	17	12
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand AGIA	26	7.7%	12	8
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	22	90.9%	6	3
Food Preparation Workers AGIA	22	45.5%	11	8
Carpenters AGIA HOT JOB	21	0.0%	11	6
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	20	45.0%	15	13
Captains, Mates, and Pilots of Water Vessels HOT JOB	18	16.7%	9	6
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other AGIA	18	88.9%	6	4
Office Clerks, General AGIA	17	82.4%	10	7
Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	17	0.0%	5	4
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer AGIA HOT JOB	16	0.0%	7	6
Retail Salespersons	16	81.2%	5	4
Construction Laborers AGIA HOT JOB	15	6.7%	3	1
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks AGIA HOT JOB	15	100.0%	6	4
Helpers--Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers AGIA	14	0.0%	5	4
Waiters and Waitresses	14	100.0%	7	4
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	14	85.7%	8	5

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	26	3.8%	14	11
Construction	67	9.0%	30	18
Manufacturing	53	15.1%	24	16
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	229	46.1%	103	65
Information	9	0.0%	0	0
Financial Activities	27	63.0%	12	9
Professional and Business Services	66	48.5%	24	16
Educational and Health Services	99	81.8%	58	43
Leisure and Hospitality	141	59.3%	45	27
State Government	119	44.9%	85	64
Local Government	110	56.4%	53	38
Other	38	44.7%	14	10
Unknown	0	0.0%	0	0

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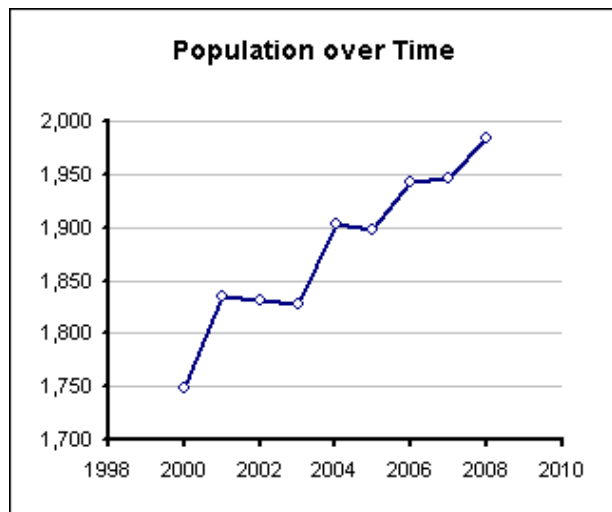
Recent Unemployment Statistics

	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	0	0	0	0

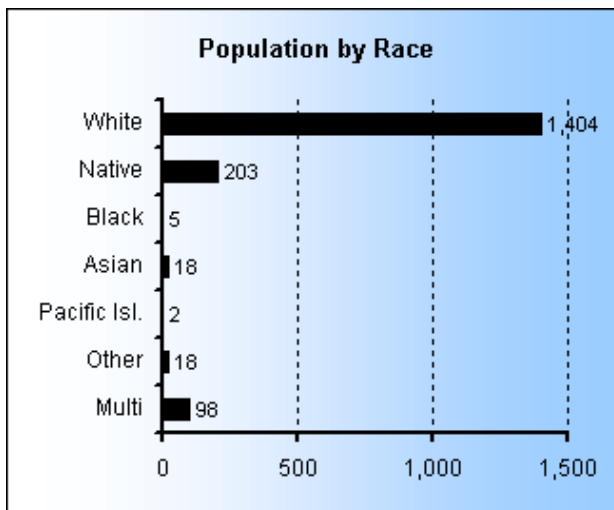
**UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

State of AK (excludes U of A)
Providence Hospital Payroll
Kenai Peninsula Borough School
Seward City of
Seward Assoc for Advance Marin
State of AK Academic
Safeway Inc
Ciri Alaska Tourism Corp
Trend Const & Breeze Inn Motel
Seaview Community Services



2000 Census	
Median Age	37.3
Average Family Size	3.1
Average Household Size	2.6
Per Capita Income	\$20,947
Median Family Income	\$57,167
Median Household Income	\$53,800



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section
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